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FM AMEMBASSY BONN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5287

INFO AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM

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E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: PFOR, GW

SUBJECT: GERMAN DIPLOMATIC FENCE MENDING WITH WEST  
EUROPEAN NEIGHBORS.

1. FONOFF NORTH AMERICA/ NORTH EUROPEAN DESK CHIEF  
TELLS US FONMIN SCHEEL WILL VISIT STOCKHOLM MAY 26 TO  
ATTEND MEETING OF EUROPEAN LIBERAL LEADERS. SCHEEL  
WILL USE OCCASION TO MEET AND EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH  
SWEDISH FONMIN WICKMAN AS PART OF RECENT FRG FENCE  
MENDING MEETINGS WITH LEADERS OF SMALL BUT FRIENDLY  
NEIGHBORING WEST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. OUR SOURCE SAID  
FRG RELATIONS WITH SWEDEN ARE QUITE GOOD.

2. WE ARE TOLD THAT, FOLLOWING THE BRIEF VISIT TO  
BONN MAY 7 BY DANISH FONMIN ANDERSON, DANISH PRIME  
MINISTER JOERGENSEN WILL BE VISITING BONN MAY 28 TO  
MEET WITH CHANCELLOR BRANDT. THE GERMANS ARE ALSO  
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AWAITING A VISIT TO BONN JUNE 4 BY THE KING OF NORWAY.  
FINALLY, OUR SOURCE SAID THAT THE RECENT STATE VISIT  
TO BONN BY AUSTRIAN PRESIDENT JONES ( AND FONMIN  
KIRCHSCHLAEGER) HAD ALSO BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL AND HAD  
TAKEN PLACE IN A VERY FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE.

3. COMMENT: WHILE THE ACCOUNTS WE HAVE HEARD OF THE  
SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS DURING THE JONES- KIRCHSCHLAEGER  
AND ANDERSON VISITS WERE NOT OF VERY GREAT MOMENT,  
THE GERMANS APPEAR TO BE USING SUCH MEETINGS TO  
ASSURE CONTINUED FRIENDLY TIES WITH SMALLER NEIGHBORS  
WHO DOUBTLESS RETAIN MEMORIES OF UNHAPPIER RELATIONS  
WITH GERMANY. BRANDT' S CONSIDERABLE PRESTIGE, FORMER  
RESIDENCE IN SCANDINAVIA, AND NORWEGIAN BORN WIFE ARE  
OF PARTICULAR HELP IN MAINTAINING GOOD GERMAN RELATIONS  
WITH COPENHAGEN, OSLO AND STOCKHOLM.  
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